

Pension Reform Task Force
January 25, 2011
7:30 am
Transit Operations Building

Summary Minutes

Chair Scott Bartley called the meeting to order at 7:35 am

Mayor Ernesto Olivares made opening remarks and welcomed everyone

Committee Members Present:

Chair Scott Bartley
Robert Andrews
Mike Lavin
Tony Alvernaz
Dave Gossman
Alan Schellerup

Vice Chair Pam Chanter
Greg Hurd
Stan Lindsay
Jack Thomas
Paul Carroll

Staff to Committee:

Kathy Millison
Pat Thompson
Caroline Fowler
Fran Elm
Liz Licursi

Director of HR, Fran Elm explained the City Benefit Plans for miscellaneous and Public Safety employees

City Attorney Caroline Fowler clarified this meeting is not for negotiations, that there are two separate processes, and this is informational only.

City Manager Kathy Millison discussed the purpose of the task force:

1. Educating the public
2. Understanding the City pension system
3. Reporting on the Pension program to the City Council

The Task Force will use fact-based handouts; others are welcome to submit articles and publications for review. Ms. Millison reviewed all the handouts distributed at the first meeting and gave an overview of pension changes from 1999 to present. (Handouts are also located under the Government heading on www.srcity.org)

The committee discussed the various topics and information that they would like to have for future meetings.

The following people spoke during Public Comment:

Don Test asked about pension obligation bonds.

Jack Atkin asked about the impacts on budgets of pension costs.

Rick Scheblik asked how much of employee salaries go to offset City share.

Anne Seeley wanted to know about budget impacts and tax increases.

Chair Scott Bartley adjourned the meeting at 8:50 am.

Next meeting will be February 10, 2011 at the Finley Center, Cypress Room at 7:30 am